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**EXPEDITED EXAMINING PROCEDURE
AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : TELENBUSCHER et al.
SERIAL NO. : 09/902,055
FILED : 10 July 2001
FOR : METHODS OF AT LEAST PARTIALLY COATING BACKING
MATERIALS
ART UNIT : 1762
EXAMINER : Katherine A. Bareford
8 October 2003

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated 15 August 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows as stated in the "Amendments to the Specification"; "Amendments to the Claims" and "Amendments to the Drawings" sections (as applicable) in this response.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.